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1. In one of my first meetings with UTILITY I questioned him concerning possible connections to the WALDBURG Kreis. He admitted readily that he had connections to the WALDBURG Kreis and to Prince WALDBURG but that he had grave reservations as to WALDBURG's character. He intimated that OFFSPRING's attitude towards the whole WALDBURG was governed by considerable reservations.
2. Although he maintains a direct personal contact with WALDBURG through Colonel LANGKAU, an OFFSPRINGER known locally as Mr. LANGENDORF, the firm relationship here is Dr. KROLL; a member of the Landtag, Catholic Youth leader, and a politician with wide interest in the economic and constitutional fields.
3. Subsequent to this first conversation with UTILITY, the latter showed me a report, which had been given to him by Mr. LANGENDORF, describing a meeting between LANGENDORF and WALDBURG which had taken place at the Bayrischerhof on the initiative of WALDBURG shortly after the outbreak of civil war in Korea. This report included a highly unfavorable assessment of WALDBURG by LANGENDORF in which WALDBURG was characterized as hysterical, fanatic, fantastic, and otherwise unstable. From the remarks attributed to WALDBURG in the course of this report, it was plain that he was hysterically pessimistic and extremely anti-American in the sense that he feels that the Americans cannot be counted upon for real support. (This meeting took place before American intervention in Korea.)
4. Generally speaking, it seems unlikely that WALDBURG may be considered a particularly close connection of OFFSPRING. KROLL is undoubtedly a close Special Connection but in spite of rather than because of his connections to Prince WALDBURG.

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